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City of Barrie

Final

Seniors Advisory Committee

Monday, December 13, 2021 | **10:00 AM** | **Virtual Meeting**

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on January 25, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chair, G. Kavanagh at 10:06 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present:	7 -	Councillor A. Kungl C. Green G. Kavanagh H. Stone L. Ricardo P. Sasco P. Thiffault
Absent:	4 -	Chairman D. Dellio J. Annable M. Malcolm S. Turcott

STAFF:
Committee Support Clerk, B. Thompson
Recreation Programmer, H. Kenehan

ALSO PRESENT:
A. Malamis, Snow Angels
T. Bougie, Alzheimer Society of Simcoe County

The Seniors Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF SIMCOE COUNTY

Taryl Bougie, Education Coordinator and Recreation Facilitator provided a presentation on the Alzheimer Society of Simcoe County.

Ms. Bougie discussed slides on the following topics:

- An introduction of the Alzheimer Society of Simcoe County, with an overview of products and services provided;
- A pie chart and maps illustrating clients, by age and gender, showing percentages and locations;
- A summary to highlight the importance of discussing dementia in Canada: what it is, symptoms, and warning signs;
- A history on the Alzheimer Societies in Canada;
- The vision, mission and values of the Alzheimer Society;
- The organization's funding through donations and fundraising;
- Referrals and current wait times; and
- Steps to reduce the stigma associated with dementia.

Members of the Committee asked questions of Ms. Bourgie and received responses.

Attachments: Alzheimer Society of Simcoe County 211213

SNOW ANGELS - WINTER SUPPORT

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

CANADIAN HEARING AID SOCIETY

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

2022 MEETING DATE CONFIRMATION

The Committee discussed the 2022 meeting schedule and agreed to keep the meetings scheduled on the fourth Monday of every month, at 10 a.m.

SENIORS EVENTS/INFORMATION/UPDATES

Gwen Kavanagh provided updated information received concerning the Primacare Living Long Term Facility, which was to be located at 727 Bayfield Street, on the borderline of Springwater Township and the City of Barrie. Ms. Kavanagh indicated that Springwater Township was concerned with being annexed by the City of Barrie, creating a buffer zone where Primacare

was going to be built.

Heather Stone, Red Cross expressed an interest in doing a presentation to the Committee concerning the Red Cross, and further indicated she had no updates to provide.

Ms. Kavanagh reiterated to the Committee on where to find information regarding the CARP Community Fund and how to become a recipient of funding.

Heather Kenehan, Recreation Programmer indicated that the Allendale 55 Plus Centre opened on November 15, 2021, with graduated activities for seniors, both recreational and social. Ms. Kenehan spoke about how people can register, further mentioning that not all pre-COVID programs have returned.

The Committee further discussed services for seniors during the holidays, such as the Seniors Wish Organization, Become Pen Pals with a Senior, Adopt a Senior, Seniors Without Walls, and the 55 Plus Centre Memberships.

Lucia Ricardo, CNIB provided that technology training is currently being done by appointment only, whereas all other programs are continuing to be offered virtually.

Evan McCraney, The Gilbert Centre mentioned that Fierté Simcoe Pride will be doing a winter feast, which is free to community members, with delivery being offered to those with mobility or access issues.

Ms. Kavanagh further provided that CARP will be conducting a presentation concerning scams, since they have been so prevalent, at their January 18, 2022, meeting at the Shriner's Hall, at 7 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

CHAIRMAN